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[ ] FOXIROT ECHO DTG, 24/0625Z SEP 72 0U/I AIR DEFENSE ELEMENT REPORTS

SHOOTDOWN OF ALLIED ACFT.

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AT 0604Z, 24 SEPT 72, IN A MESSAGE BETWEEN TWO U/I AIR DEFENSE ELEMENTS, IT WAS STATED THAT ONE OF THE UNITS HAD SHOT DOWN ON THE SPOT, ONE A-7 ACFT AND HAD CAPTURED THE PILOT ALIVE. COMMENTS, ALTHOUGH NO TIME FOR THE SHOOTDOWN WAS GIVE, THIS COULD POSSIBLY BE NAVY A-7, CALLSIGN SADDLE BACK 500 WHICH WAS SHOT DOWN IN THE QUANG TRI AREA AT 0550Z, 24 SEPT 72, BY 37MM AAA FIRE. THIS INFO RECEIVED FROM COLLATERAL SOURCES (SECRET). XXMM 240 01909 NNNN

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